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SUBJECT : INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM: VISIT OF
 BANGLADESH PRESIDENTIAL SCIENCE ADVISOR
 DR. M. INNAS ALI

1. DR. M. INNAS ALI, SCIENCE ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT OF BANGLADESH AND CHAIRMAN, BANGLADESH ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION (BAEC) PLANS VISIT U.S. ON OR ABOUT SEPTEMBER 27 TO OCTOBER 4, 1976 TO MEET AND DISCUSS SCIENCE POLICY MATTERS WITH NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AND ACADEMY OF SCIENCE AT EXPENSE BDG. (DR. ALI TRAVELLING BD-LONDON FOR SCIENCE POLICY FOUNDATION SYMPOSIUM 10-15 SEPT.; LONDON-RIO DE JANEIRO FOR IAEA 20TH CENTRAL CONFERENCE AND BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S MEETING, 17-23 SEPTEMBER; RIO-MIAMI 24-26 SEPT. TO VISIT SON AT UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI.

2. BAEC HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING PROGRAM FOR DR. ALI IN WASHINGTON, AND HAS FORWARDED LETTER TO BD EMBASSY WASHINGTON REQUESTING ASSISTANCE. LETTER STATES QUOTE DURING HIS UNCLASSIFIED

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PROPOSED STAY IN WASHINGTON D.C., PROFESSOR ALI WOULD LIKE TO MEET

AND DISCUSS SCIENCE POLICY MATTERS WITH THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AND ACADEMY OF SCIENCE, USA. IN THIS CONNECTION IT MAY BE MENTIONED THAT PROFESSOR ALI, IN HIS CAPACITY AS SCIENCE ADVISOR TO OUR PRESIDENT, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE, AMONGST OTHERS, TO FORMULATE THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICIES OF THE COUNTRY INCLUDING IDENTIFICATION OF AREAS OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, PRIORITIES, COLLABORATION, COORDINATION ETC. NSF AND ACADEMY OF SCIENCE BEING AMONGST THE TWO LEADING POLICY ORGANS OF THE STATES, IT IS EXPECTED THAT SUCH VISIT AND DISCUSSIONS WILL BE VERY BENEFICIAL FOR FULFILLING OUR AIMS AND OBJECTIVES EFFECTIVELY UNQUOTE. DR. ALI RECENTLY PARTICIPATED IN THE AID/NASA AIDSAT DEMONSTRATION.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT TO COORDINATE AND ASSIST BD EMBASSY IN COMPOSING APPROPRIATE PROGRAM. N.B., BD EMBASSY HAS BEEN APPRISED THAT USG, VIA AMEMBASSY DACCA, HAS BEEN SO REQUESTED.

4. I.V. GRANT: DR. ALI WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR IV PROGRAMMING FOR MAXIMUM FIFTEEN DAYS FOLLOWING OCTOBER 4.

POST HEREBY NOMINATES PROF. ALI FOR PARTIAL IV GRANT FOR THIS PERIOD. THE GRANT WILL AFFORD THE PRESIDENTIAL SCIENCE ADVISOR (THE HIGHEST-RANKING SCIENCE OFFICIAL IN BANGLADESH) AN OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN A DEEPER INSIGHT INTO RECENT U.S. SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT AND US POSITIONS ON NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION AND REPROCESsing, WHILE RENEWING HIS ACQUAINTANCE (HE HAS AN M.S.E.E. FROM NYU) WITH AMERICAN SOCIAL, POLITICAL AND CULTURAL LIFE. NOTE. HE IS KEY BDG OFFICIAL CONCERNED WITH BDG PURCHASE OF RESEARCH REACTOR, AND HENCE, WITH NECESSARY BILATERAL SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT AND BDG ADHERENCE TO NPT (SEE DACCA 3886 AND PREVIOUS). POST ENVISIONS AND WILL RECOMMEND TO PROF. ALI A RETURN-LEG STOP-OVER AT EAST-WEST CENTER, THUS INTRODUCING A FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE OF EWC CAPABILITIES INTO THE HIGHEST CIRCLES OF THE BDG. (CU/NEA MAY WISH APPROACH EWC FOR FUNDING THIS PORTION VISIT.) SUGGESTED PROGRAM ACTIVITIES: VISITS TO ATOMIC ENERGY FACILITIES, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTES, NASA, MIT, CAL TECH AND OTHER SIMILAR INSTITUTIONS.

5. BIO DATA:

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(A) PDOB: EAST BENGAL, 1 SEPTEMBER, 1916.

(B) CITIZENSHIP: BANGLADESHI

(C) ENGLISH CAPABILITY: FLUENT

(D) EDUCATION: M.SC. (PHYSICS) DACCA UNIVERSITY; M.S. (ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING) NYU; AND PH.D. (NUCLEAR PHYSICS) UNI-

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

(E) POSITIONS HELD:

PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN, DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS, DACCA UNIVERSITY, 1960-63; 1967-72.

DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE, DACCA UNIVERSITY, 1968-71.
MEMBER, FORMER PAKISTAN ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION, 1963-67.
VICE CHANCELLOR, UNIVERSITY OF CHITTAGONG, 1972-73.
MEMBER, UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION, 1973-74.
CHAIRMAN, BANGLADESH ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION, 1973-PRESENT.
PRESIDENTIAL SCIENCE ADVISOR, 1976-PRESENT.

PART-TIME AND HONORARY POSITIONS:

GENERAL PRESIDENT, FORMER PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE, 1970.
GENERAL PRESIDENT, FORMER PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF SCIENTI-
STS AND SCIENTIFIC PROFESSIONS, 1963-65.
MEMBER, FORMER PAKISTAN NATIONAL SCIENCE COUNCIL, 1969-71.
ACTING GOVERNOR, BOARD OF GOVERNORS, IAEA, 1966-67.
FELLOW, FORMER PAKISTAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCE, 1960-71.
CHAIRMAN, GOVERNING BOARD, BANGLADESH SCIENCE MUSEUM, 1973-
76.
PRESIDENT, ROTARY CLUB OF DACCA, 1970-71.
PRESIDENT, BANGLADESH PHYSICAL SOCIETY, 1973-76.

(F) PRESENT ASSIGNMENTS:

SCIENCE ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
OF BANGLADESH AND VICE-CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR
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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

VICE-PRESIDENT, BANGLADESH ACADEMY OF SCIENCE (SINCE JANU-
ARY, 1972.) GOVERNOR, BOARD OF GOVERNORS, INTERNATIONAL
ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY (SINCE SEPTEMBER, 1975).

(G) PREVIOUS U.S. GRANTS: NONE

(H) ESCORT REQUIREMENT: AN ESCORT IS SUGGESTED DUE TO PROF. ALI'S
AGE AND THE FACT THAT HE HAS NOT VISITED THE U.S. IN SOME
TIME.

(I) GRANT TERMS: PER DIEM AT THE RATE OF \$45.00 FOR A MAXIMUM
PERIOD OF 15 DAYS, DOMESTIC TRANSPORTATION AND BOOK ALLOW-

ANCE, \$50.00

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